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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 18TH SEPTEMBER, 1873.

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[PRICE \$2¹/₂ PER MONTH.]

Arrivals.

Banks.

Sept. 17, Hector, Brit. str., 1,522, J. Bowley, Liverpool, 30th July; Fort Said, 15th Aug.; Suez, 16th; Penang 5th Sept., and Singapore 10th, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWAINSON.

Sept. 17, MANGOLITO, Spain, sch., 223, Pedro Cuneo, Manila, 3rd Sept.; Sapawood and Horn—LEMMING & Co.

Sept. 17, KWA-SUNG, British str., 491, Pittman, Foochow 12th Sept.; Amoy 15th, and Swatow 16th, General—D. LARKE & Co.

Sept. 17, YOLAN, French str., 362, Flambart, Yougham 10th Sept., General—MÉTIERS MARITIMES.

Sept. 17, AYIA, French str., 1,022, Goumari, Shanghai, 13th Sept., General—MÉTIERS MARITIMES.

Departures.

Sept. 17, GNELOH, str., for Shanghai.

Sept. 17, HISTORIAN, str., for Singapore and Calcutta.

Sept. 17, CITY OF EXETER, str., for Canton.

Sept. 17, DUXI FRERES, for Whampoa.

Sept. 17, STARLIGHT, for Bangkok.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE,

Passengers.

Per Manila, from Manila—

Don Pedro Arriaga y V. Santa Coloma, Per Hector, str., from Liverpool, &c.

General Mr. Dunstan, and 50 Chinese.

Per Volga, str., from Yokohama—

Messrs. Faye and Guinan, and Mrs. Fane and child.

Per Kowloon, str., from Foochow, Amoy, and Swatow—

Master, Steel, Harton and Watson, and 250 Chinese.

Per Amoy, str., from Shanghai—

Messrs. Rea, Hamelin, Pergino, Amodeo, Oberbeck, and A. Herren, Mills E. Heriot, and 15 Chinese.

Per Historian, str., for Singapore, &c.—

6 cabin and 113 Chinese.

Per Perla, str., for Chusan—

Historian, str., for Singapore and Calcutta.

Glenorchy, str., for Singapore.

Reports.

The Spanish schooner *Mallorca* reports left Manila on 3rd September, experienced heavy weather with N.W. and NE. winds.

The French steamer *Volga* reports left Shanghai on the 14th September; experienced strong NE. winds till the 16th, then moderate to trivial.

The French steamer *Volga* reports left Yokohama on the 10th September; had fine weather throughout the passage; light winds from N.E. in Formosa Channel.

The British steamer *Hector* reports left Liverpool on 30th July; arrived at Port Said on the 14th August, and left on the 15th; left Suez on 16th; arrived at Penang on the 4th September, and left 5th; arrived at Singapore on the 6th, and left on the 10th; on August 16th passed the steamship *Achilles*. Had light winds and fine weather throughout the passage; in the China Sea, light S.W. monsoon and variable winds.

The British steamer *Kwangtung* reports left Foochow on 12th September; anchored at Sharp Peak same day, on account of threatening appearance in Westward, and the tremendous sea running on the bar; on the 13th, a very strong wind from the N.W., which caused a gale by 8 p.m., but 30° S.E. on Saturday night, and a weaker gale by South to S.W., and barometer rose rapidly. The *Kwangtung* arrived at Foochow on Sunday morning, reporting threatening weather and heavy seas, but no wind, on her passage from Amoy; the *Kwangtung* left Sharp Peak on Sunday, 14th, Amoy on 15th, and Swatow on the 16th; experienced brisk N.E. winds between Foochow and Amoy, North to N.W. winds from Amoy to Swatow, and N.W. winds from Swatow to Hongkong. The steamer *Sinua* was going into Foochow on Sunday; *United Service* steamer in Amoy; steamer *Kiu-shu* and *Fu-ching* in Swatow. Saw the *Nora* off Breaker Point, and *Halibut* off Tongkiu, at midnight; passed a gale of war at 3 p.m. on the 16th, going in same direction. On the 15th, the *Sinua* reported *Matsu* and *Amoy*, and 50 miles of misty sea. Captain *Patterson* having experienced a strong typhoon on the 11th, in lat. 27° N., and long. 125° 03' East, bar. 29.50. Captain Deville, of the *Kiu-shu*, reports having left Shanghai on the 12th, and on the 13th at 11 a.m. on Nanki Island, had to leave it, blowing a tremendous gale from N.E., with currents of rain and a heavy sea, bar. 29.27., wind shifted S.E. at 4 p.m., and the glass rose rapidly.

Vessels expected at Hongkong.

Arrived—
Vernon Bell, Shields, April 7.
Ld. Elphinstone's (London) April 24.
Marq. (s) Newcastle, May 9.
Nicolai (s) London, May 10.
Ardito, Cardiff, May 15.
Zambesi (s) London, May 19.
Mores Bay (s) Cardiff, May 26.
Lebanon, Newcastle, May 28.
McNear (s) Ponarth, June 8.
Albert Victor, London, June 10.
City of Foochow, Cardiff, June 21.
Yovic, Cardiff, June 26.
F. Calder (s) Greenwich, July 10.
Maud (s) London, July 10.
Dedalus (s) London, July 11.
Cordilo (s) London, July 15.
Glasgow, July 15.
Dunning Louise, Hamburg, July 17.
Hector (s) Liverpool, July 17.
Bellona (s) London, Aug. 1.

Auction Sales To-day.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

SAINTARY REGULATIONS FOR THE PORT OF AMOY.

NOTICE.

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BURTH,
On the 17th Sept., at No. 6, Mosque Terrace,
Mrs. G. D. PITMAN, of Aug 1st, 1878.

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HONGKONG, SEPTEMBER 18th, 1878.

We extract from a home paper some pertinent remarks with reference to the inconveniences to commerce which result from the absence of any suitable coin in China, and concluding with a suggestion that, when the Treaty is next revised, it should be made compulsory for the Chinese Government to issue a reliable coinage, which would greatly facilitate commercial operations.

A not unobserved cut is given at Hongkong for the feebleness of the effort which was made here to keep the Mint going. How it came to pass that the establishment was so readily abandoned, is apparently not exactly known; but the chief mistake which was made in connection with it, appears to have been not making sufficient allowance for the opposition which an enterprise of that character was certain to evoke on the part of the Chinese in the Colony. The new dollars could not be chopped, and thus a well established source of illegitimate gains to shroffs and compradores was at once put an end to. This was of itself sufficient to cause great opposition to the new coinage, to say nothing of the invincible habit of the Chinese to combine to oppose any new coin which is introduced. This has proved to be the case with every new dollar that has come to these parts, and the same kind of thing might reasonably have been anticipated with regard to the Hongkong dollar. Unfortunately, these circumstances do not appear to have been taken into sufficient account, and the attempt to establish a Mint here was thus abandoned somewhat hastily on the appearance of the first difficulties. No doubt, it is not an easy matter to establish a coinage in China—but the Hongkong dollar really had no chance, either in the Colony or in the country, and its want here is every year more felt. It may be hoped that the suggestion as to taking steps in the matter on the revision of the Treaty will be adopted.

It is probably one of the most curious illustrations of the peculiar deficiencies of Chinese civilization that so evidently commercial status should never have been able to establish any other coin than copper cash. The cause is no doubt to be found in the want of confidence in the Government, who repeatedly debased such coins as it was attempted from time to time to establish, and who have even adulterated copper cash to a great extent. Another reason is probably the difficulty of preventing forgeries of coins. There are no people in the world more ingenious than the Chinese at every art of counterfeiting, and in a country where crime of this character is so difficult of detection, and in which the authorities are so weak and corrupt, any coinage must always stand a poor chance of establishing confidence. So we find one of the shrewdest commercial nations going on century after century weighing out their silver and using the chimes of all copper coin.

It will no doubt be well that this point should be urged upon the Chinese Government in connection with the revision of the Treaty, but it will not do to be too sanguine with regard to it. We, of course, cannot force the Chinese Government to establish a new coinage, as the matter is in clearly under their own jurisdiction, and it is to be feared that the reasons above given that they will not move in the matter, unless almost forced to do so. A foreign coin, supposing it were possible to introduce one throughout the

Empire, would need to be protected, and it may be feared that the moment the Chinese officials had to do with the matter, some kind of corruption would creep in, and counterfeiting be probably even more encouraged.

It would seem, in fact, that the nearest solution which could be arrived at was that which has unfortunately been abandoned by the closing of the Hongkong Mint, of making a suitable and reliable foreign coin, obtainable on-the-spot in such quantities as may from time to time be required; and it cannot but be a subject of regret that the Mint here was so speedily given up.

The steamer *Invincible*, *Sophia*, and *Citizen*, arrived at Shanghai on the 10th instant.

We have received a copy of the first number of a new local journal, called the *People's Herald*, which has been issued at that port. It is very fairly got up, and we trust will have every success.

A telegram has been received from Saigon by the Acting French Consul, dated yesterday at 10 a.m., stating that the quarantine imposed upon vessels coming from Singapore had been withdrawn.

The principal agent of the M. M. Company has been advised by telegram that the *Zouave*, with French mails due here on the 23rd inst., has put back to Gaule, in consequence of some accident to her machinery, that will take a few days to repair.

The extraordinary meeting of the Pier and Godown Company, for the purpose of confirming the resolution passed on the 3rd instant, for winding up the company, took place yesterday, when the resolution was duly confirmed, and it was agreed that, in the event of one of the trustees being absent, the other could act alone.

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Extracts.

MAD POETS.

Christopher Smart, who, after a brilliant career at Cambridge, translated the *Pastures of Paphnutius*, and Horace into prose, and published a collection of poems, through pecuniary embarrassments and other mortifications, became deranged; and continued in this condition, with intervals of sanity, till his death in 1770, in the rules of the King's Bench. During his confinement he wrote, by means of a key, on the panels of his chamber, a poem of nearly a hundred stanzas to the "Glory of King and Prophet." Here is one of his verses:—

"He sang of God—the mighty source
Of all things—the stupendous force
On which all depend; beneath whose eyes
All power, power, and enterprise,
Conveniences, reigns, and ends."

Glorious the sun in that career;
Glorious the scenes that appear;
Glorious the triumphs of man;
Glorious the Almighty's stretched-out arm;

Glorious the sun that brings down
The meekness, calm of Thy Son;
That stupendous truth believed,

And now the matchless dove achieved,
Determined, dared, and done."

Here are a few lines of a poem by one Thomas Lloyd, who passed most of his life in a mad-house; for, though he was several times set at liberty, it was always necessary in a short time to put him under restraint again:

"When disappointment grieves the bleeding
heart;
And when resentment burns the soul's dart;
When angry woes, and unpropitious skies,
Damnation urge, and every hopeless exile;
These dreadful though they are, can't quite
rip."

The aspiring mind that bid the man excel,
To bridle maddness in its rope to pass;
And all our猛烈 torment and abuse;
That fearful bairn we seldom wish to try;
We hate to live, and still we fear to die."

Methinks that still I see a brighter ray,
That bids me live to see a happier day;
And though my sorrows, and my griefs, now
My Maker calls me—fear not thy Lord—it never
dies."

AN IRISH LOVE STORY.—With one other love story, also brought by my father from Ireland, shall conclude this chapter. The name I have forgotten, but the circumstances happened in a country house, the hereditary seat of an ancient and wealthy Irish family. There, to its owner, then only a few years married, was born a son and heir. There was in his house at that time a young woman of eighteen, fairly educated, but in humble circumstances, who had been reared as a dependent rather than servant, filling the post of nursery governess and assistant-housekeeper. Let us call her Miss North Fitzpatrick. She was faithful, industrious, and good-looking, but with no pretensions to beauty. The infant heir, of some thirty or forty thousand a year, committed to her care and daily carried about in her arms, became much attached to his nurse. His affection seemed to increase with years and at the age of eight or ten, he used to call her his wife, and say he intended to marry her by and by. He returned from college, some months before he was eighteen, and to his first fancy, after a time he proposed to Miss Fitzpatrick, then twice his age. She told him that both for his sake and hers such a marriage was not to be thought of the great disparity of age, she said, was alone sufficient, but, aside from that, the marriage would do no harm to his parents' hearts and make himself unhappy; for which she could not forgive him, and his wife would render her miserable, even as his wife. In this she persisted. Thereupon the youth ceased to urge his suit, but, after hoping about some weeks in a listless way, took his bed with a low fever. When the family physician, an enlightened man, found the usual remedies unavailing, and the mother in despair, said to her son, "Mother, it is my duty to tell you that your son's condition seems to me the result of deep seated mental depression. Something preys on his mind, try to find out what it is; you may then be able to do more for him than all the medicine in the pharmacopoeia." The next day the mother did her best to call for her son's confidence, but for a time in vain. All she could get from him was, "It's no use, mother dear. It will only vex you." But when she implored him, weeping, to tell her all he said at last, "I have loved Norah all my life. I asked her, since I came home, to marry me, but she refused me, because, she said, it would make us all unhappy. And, say what you will, she sticks to it." "My son, my son, how could you think of such a thing?" I told you it was no use, mother; I knew you would take it just so; but, I haven't spirit to live without her." Then the father was consulted; he was furious; but the patient's fever increased from day to day, and the mother's heart began to relent. "It should kill him!" she said to her husband; "you know how you feel when I refused you the first time." That touched him, but he held on three days longer, the young man appearing to sink all the time. Then, one morning, he got up with a sudden resolution, and sought his son's bedside. "Listen to me, dear boy," he said; "your happiness is my first object, but it is my duty to prevent you from doing anything rashly, which you may repeat all your life afterwards. You are scarcely eighteen; that is too young to marry. I want you to make the tour of Europe before you settle down. I will find you an excellent tutor as companion. But I ask from you, that you will not return to Ireland till you are twenty-one; nor correspond, meanwhile, with Miss Fitzpatrick. I must say she has acted very honorably; and, if, when you return, you still remain of the same mind, and she will accept you, your mother and I will not withhold our consent. But you must promise, on your honour as a gentleman." And so the bargain was struck; the parents, doubtless believing that three years would cure a boyish fancy. Two weeks saw the son well again, and prepared for his journey. On the very day he was twenty-one he returned to claim his parental promise; overpersuaded Norah; and his father, invited to their country seat ten years afterwards, found them, he told us, one of the happiest-looking couples he had ever seen.—Robert Dale Owen and *Cities of Asia*, by A. G. Fother.

THE GROWING OF RACES.

It took plant a certain seed in the valley of the Thames, you have a fine diamond exchange; but plant the same seed in the valley of the Mississippi, and in a few years it grows into a tall wood like a mulberry-tree. And the men who have in those regions grown up from the same human seed—the Saxon race—do not less different in their natures than the cabbage and the colewort. The beginning of European history shows us a number of human beings alike in their disposition, habits, and culture, walled by nature like seeds up from the Indus and the plateau of Iran and across the Caucasus Mountains, spreading in divergent streams out over the great Asiatic peninsula, upon the shores of the North Sea, and upon that of the Atlantic, and down upon the three sides of the Mediterranean. Here on these coasts the seed took root. It is the waters which have made these lands what they are; and it is the continued influence of these waters and of the sun and the air which has shaped the character of these people, who in the commencement were so homogeneous. There has grown a North Sea, and an Atlantic, and two Mediterranean varieties of the Aryan species. The sunny blue waters of the Mediterranean Sea are inter-connected with those of the cold and dangerous Northern Ocean; and this connection is also that of the Latin and the Germanic peoples. Had we grown up on the banks of the sparkling Middle Sea, we, like the Greeks and the Latins, would have been joyous and careless, instead of the sombre and hard-working people that we are. Of all the sea-town, that scuttled in the Atlantic Archipelago was the first to flower.

The long boot-shaped strip of land above, now followed in the production of the social plant. And as these bright and precocious, but not deeply-rooted, ones gradually dimmed and sank, the wave of civilization still moved on; and Spain and France already in the middle and modern ages are in full blossom. Yet in the northern fields there is still only rank weedy growth. Now for the first time, and after long and painful preparation, it is England that has sprung up, like a giant, according to the old adage, out of the earth.

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NOTICE.—

AUGUSTINE HEARD & CO., General Agents, 314 Hongkong, 10th February, 1872.

A PRAIRIE STORM.

On the open prairie, when just well away from the Hudson's Bay Company's store, we saw that we were in for a storm. Every form of beauty was combined in the sky at this time. To the south it was such a blue as Titian used to paint—blue, those who have seen only dull English skies say, is nowhere to be seen but on canvas or in art; and the blue was bordered to the west with vast hilly mountains of the softest, fleeciest white. Next to that, and right ahead of us, and overhead, was a cotton black cloud, along the under surface of which green masses were eddying at the terrific rate. "Extending from this, and all around the north and east, the expanse was a dun-coloured mass, livid with lightning, and there, to the right, and behind us, the roots of which were pouring, and hearing us every moment. The atmosphere was charged with electricity on all sides, lightning rushed towards the earth in straight and zigzag courses, and the thunder varied from the sharp rattle of musket fire to the roar of artillery; still there was no rain, but little wind. We pressed on for a house, for safety; but it was to be no escape. With the suddenness of a tornado the wind struck us; at first without rain—but so fierce that the horses were forced aside and again off the track, and now, with the sand-mine rain—thick and furious; and then half-hail mixed with angular lumps of ice from half an inch to an inch across, a blow on the head from one of which was stunning. Our long line of horses and carts was broken. Some of the poor creatures clung to the road, fighting desperately; others were driven into the prairie, and turned back to the storm, still with mud and sideways with cowering horses. Their muzzles and long tails floating wildly like those of Highland shelties. It was a picture for Ross Bonham: the storm driving over the vast prairie prairie, and the men and horses yielding to or fighting against it; to half an hour we got under the shelter of the big houses, a mile distant; but the fury of the storm was past, and in less than an hour the sun burst forth again, scattering the clouds, till not a blot was left in the sky save fragments of mist to the south and east.—From "Oasis to Ocean," by the Rev. George M. Gray.

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On and after this date, a discount of 20 per cent. of the above rate will be allowed to Insure.

GILMAN & CO., Agents, 4117 Hongkong, 24th June, 1872.

TRANSANTALIC LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

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SEIMSEN & CO., Agents, 18th November, 1872.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept risks against Fire, to the extent of \$60,000 on any one First Class Risk.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents Imperial Fire Assurance Company, 18th March, 1873.

HOLIDAY, WISE & CO., 18th October, 1868.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at Current Rates.

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THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept Marine Risks and海上 Policies at Current Rates.

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